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erwise noted.

**Subpart 1523.3—Hazardous
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1523.303 Contract clause.

**1523.303–70 Protection of human sub-
jects.**

Contracting Officers shall insert the
contract clause at 1552.223–70 when the
contract involves human test subjects.

**1523.303–71 Decontamination of Gov-
ernment-furnished property.**

Contracting Officers shall insert the
contract clause at 1552.245–70, Decon-
tamination of Government-Furnished
Property, when it is anticipated that a
Contractor will use Government-fur-
nished or Contractor-acquired property

in the clean-up of hazardous or toxic
substances in the environment.

**1523.303–72 Use and care of laboratory
animals.**

Contracting officers shall insert the
clause at 1552.223–72, Use and Care of
Laboratory Animals, in all contracts
involving the use of animals in testing,
research or training.

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**Subpart 1523.7—Contracting for
Environmentally Preferable
Products and Services**

SOURCE: 72 FR 18403, May 1, 2007, unless
otherwise noted.

1523.703 Policies and procedures.

**1523.703–1 Acquisition of environ-
mentally preferable meeting and
conference facilities and services.**

(a) *Scope.* This section establishes the
policy and the procedures for acquiring
environmentally preferable meeting
and conference facilities and services.
For purposes of this section, the term
“contracting officer” refers to any
EPA employee with purchasing author-
ity. For purposes of this section, the
terms “meeting and conference facili-
ties” or “conference facilities” refer to
any off-site commercial facility which
is purchased for the use of an EPA con-
ference or event, whether the purpose
of the event is a meeting, conference,
training session, or other official pur-
pose.

(b) *Conference facilities.* EPA conducts
government events at facilities owned
and operated by private, third-party
vendors. These facilities—

(1) May provide conference partici-
pants with lodging, food and beverage,
and other on-site event support serv-
ices.

(2) Demonstrate they are environ-
mentally preferable by their responses
to the 17 questions in 1552.223–71(c)
highlighting environmental perform-
ance. These questions address, among
other things, reducing greenhouse gas
(GHG) emissions, the production and
disposal of solid waste, the use of and
exposure to toxic chemicals/materials,
and the depletion of natural resources
including water.

(c) *Policy.* Contracting officers shall purchase environmentally preferable meeting and conference facilities and services to the greatest extent practicable. Environmentally preferable is defined at FAR 2.101 and shall be considered in all purchases of meeting and conference facilities and services.

(d) *Procedures for micropurchases.* The contracting officer shall request that potential third party conference facility vendors respond to the 17 questions in 1552.223-71(c) or language substantially the same as these questions, in order to evaluate their environmental performance.

(e) *Procedures for purchases of conference facilities exceeding the micropurchase threshold.* The contracting officer shall request that potential third party conference facility vendors respond to the 17 questions in 1552.223-71(c) or language substantially the same as these questions, in order to evaluate their environmental performance. The contracting officer shall notify vendors that the basis for award will be best value with price and other factors considered. Environmental preferability, as determined by evaluating the information submitted in response to the questions and specifications at 1552.223-71(c) or information submitted in response to substantially similar questions and specifications, shall be considered among the other factors. The contracting officer shall determine the relative importance of price and other factors as appropriate to the acquisition, but in all cases shall consider environmental preferability as a significant factor.

(f) *Contractor support for meetings and conferences.* A contract, order, work assignment or purchasing agreement that includes contractor support for meeting and conference planning and logistics must include requirements to make use of environmentally preferable meeting and conference facilities and services. The contracting officer shall ensure language is included in the tasking document work statement that requires the contractor to use the provisions at 1552.223-71 or language approved by the contracting officer that is substantially the same as the provisions, when soliciting quotes or

offers for meeting and conference services on behalf of the EPA.

(g) *Solicitation provision.* The contracting officer shall insert provisions or language substantially the same as the provisions at 1552.223-71 EPA Green Meetings and Conferences, in solicitations for meeting and conference services. Contracting officers issuing an oral solicitation must also use these provisions, though they may be provided to the vendor orally or electronically. Contractors soliciting quotes or offers for meeting and conference services on behalf of EPA shall use the provisions, or language approved by the contracting officer that is substantially the same as the provisions.

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PART 1524—PROTECTION OF PRIVACY AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Subpart 1524.1—Protection of Individual Privacy

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1524.104 Solicitation provisions.

Subpart 1524.2—Freedom of Information Act [Reserved]

AUTHORITY: Sec. 205(c), 63 Stat. 390, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 486(c).

Subpart 1524.1—Protection of Individual Privacy

1524.104 Solicitation provisions.

The Contracting Officer shall insert the provision at 1552.224-70, Social Security Numbers of Consultants and Certain Sole Proprietors and Privacy Act Statement, in all solicitations.

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Subpart 1524.2—Freedom of Information Act [Reserved]

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